

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Chevak****Project Title:****Chevak - Loader****State Funding Requested: \$ 250,000**  
One-Time Need**House District: 39 - T****Brief Project Description:**

In the recently completed community master plan, some projects identified require a loader. Having a loader will make the community become more self-sustainable.

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$250,000**Funding Secured*Amount FY*Other Pending Requests*Amount FY*Anticipated Future Need*Amount FY*

There is no other funding needed

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Some projects that were identified in the recently completed community master plan include: renovation of the old school facility, re-cap the dirt roads, fix the drains, make new roads, and to make Chevak a postal hub for the surrounding villages. To make some of the projects easier, they need a loader. They currently have an old bulldozer and a dump truck that are in good working order. Having the loader would help the community become more self-sustainable.

Acquiring a loader will help the community to:

- Fix their roads especially after spring melt and fall rain storms. They have a few barge loads of gravel waiting to re-cap the roads, but are unable to because a loader is needed.
- Fix erosion problems. The bluff is being eroded by the river, causing a few houses and a grocery store with a gas station to be too close to the edge of the bluffs.
- Restore a road that has been destroyed by erosion. The road is the back bone from the river to the community for unloading material brought in by the barges.
- Clear the roads of drifts in the winter. The Clinic needs roads to transport medivac patients to the airport. The Chevak Police Department needs roads to transport prisoners to the airport and also to pick up the State Troopers.
- The Post Office uses the roads to and from the airport.
- Airline agents needs to roads to pick up by-pass mail and deliver them to the post office and local stores.

The loader would also be used to clean the trash around the dump. Using a bulldozer alone does not really clean the dump. Having a loader with a bucket would make the dump much cleaner and safer for the community members to use.

**Project Timeline:**

The community would purchase the loader as soon as possible after approval of the appropriation and the grant to the city.

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

City of Chevak

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No



Senator Donny Olson

Proposal for a Loader

February 25, 2008

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Administrator Dennis Jones

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Greetings,

A big hello from the people of Chevak! As you may know the community of Chevak has come a long way since being in debt a few years ago that was news enough to be on CNN. Chevak has now paid all major debts including: AVEC, Yukon Fuels/Crowley, IRS, and a few other smaller past debts. Our current City Council and new administration is very trustworthy and is trying our very best to improve life in Chevak. All entities in Chevak can proudly say we are all working together as a team, and that is a first since the time of our past and gone powerful leaders Ulric Nayamin and Joe Friday.

We have just completed a community master plan for the community of Chevak. In there you will find that we have some projects in plan such as a renovation of our old school facility, re-cap our dirt roads and fix the drains, make new roads, and make Chevak a Postal Hub for the surrounding villages. There are other projects listed, but these are some of the top priority projects for the City of Chevak. To make some of the projects easier we are seeking assistance for a Loader for the City of Chevak. Currently we have an old Bull-Dozer and a Dump Truck that are in good working order. What we really need is a loader to help our community become more self-sustainable.

Acquiring a loader will help our community to:

- Fix our roads especially after spring melt and fall rain storms
    - We have a few barge loads of gravel sitting in Chevak waiting for us to use to re-cap the roads but we are unable to because the City of Chevak has no loader. (Page 22)
  - Fix our erosion problems, our bluff is being eroded away by our river causing a few houses and a locally owned grocery store with a gas station to be too close to the edge of the bluffs than we would like (Picture on page 18 & 19)
  - Restore a road that has been destroyed by the erosion
    - The road is the back bone from the river to the community for unloading material brought in by the barge's
  - In the winter we could clear the roads from drifts
    - Roads from the Clinic to the Airport
      - Clinic uses a truck to transport medivac patients to the airport
    - From the Chevak Public Safety to the Airport
      - The Chevak Police Department uses a truck to transport prisoners to the airport and also uses a truck to pick up the State Troopers.
    - From the US Post Office to the Airport
    - From the airline agents home to the Airport
      - All use trucks to pick up by-pass and mail and delivers them to the post office and local stores.
  - Year round we need a loader to clean the trash around the dump. Using a Bull-Dozer alone does not really clean the dump. Having a loader that has a bucket would make our dump much cleaner and safer for our community members to use. (Picture on page 15)
- As you can see a loader is much needed so could you please help our community with a grant to acquire a loader for the community of Chevak? That would be very much appreciated.